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Amendments to House Bill No. 180
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Requested by Representative Pat Connell

For the House State Administration Committee

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1. Title, page 1, line 4.

Following: "REGISTRATION;"

Insert: "AND"

2. Title, page 1, line 5

Strike: "13-2-115," on line 5

3. Title, page 1, line 5 through line 6.

Following: "13-2-301" on line 5

Strike: ", 13-2-514" on line 5 through "MCA;" on line 6

4. Title, page 1, line 6.

Strike: "REPEALING SECTION"

5. Page 1.

Following: line 8

Strike: everything after the enacting clause

Insert: "Section 1. Section 13-2-301, MCA, is amended to read:

"13-2-301. Close of regular registration -- notice -- changes. (1) The election administrator shall:

(a) close regular registrations for 30 days before any election; and

(b) publish a notice specifying the day regular registrations will close and the availability of the late registration option provided for in 13-2-304 in a newspaper of general circulation in the county at least three times in the 4 weeks preceding the close of registration or broadcast a notice on radio or television as provided in 2-3-105 through 2-3-107, using the method the election administrator believes is best suited to reach the largest number of potential electors. The provisions of this subsection (1)(b) are fulfilled upon the third publication or broadcast of the notice.

(2) Information to be included in the notice must be prescribed by the secretary of state.

(3) An application for voter registration properly executed and postmarked on or before the day regular registration is closed must be accepted as a regular registration for 3 days after regular registration is closed under subsection (1)(a).

(4) An individual who submits a completed registration form to the election administrator before the deadlines provided in

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this section is allowed to correct a mistake on the completed registration form until 5 p.m. on the 10th day following the close of regular registration, and the qualified elector is then eligible to vote in the election.

(5) An elector who misses the deadlines provided for in this section may register to vote or change the elector's voter information and vote in the election, ~~except as otherwise only as~~ provided in 13-2-304."

{ Internal References to 13-2-301:

ok13-2-115 ok13-2-304 ok13-2-514 ok13-13-301 }"

Insert: "Section 2. Section 13-2-304, MCA, is amended to read:

"13-2-304. Late registration -- late changes -- nonapplicability for school elections. (1) Except as provided in subsections (2) and (3), the following provisions apply:

(a) An elector may register or change the elector's voter registration information after the close of regular registration in 13-2-301 and vote in the election if the election administrator in the county where the elector resides receives and verifies the elector's voter registration information prior to ~~the close of the polls on election day.~~

~~(b) Late registration is closed from noon to 5 p.m. on the day Friday before the election.~~

(c) Except as provided in 13-2-514(2)(a), an elector who registers or changes the elector's voter information pursuant to this section may vote in the election only if the elector obtains the ballot from and returns it to the location designated by the county election administrator.

(2) If an elector has already been sent an absentee ballot for the election, the elector may change the elector's voter registration information only with respect to the next election.

(3) The provisions of subsection (1) do not apply with respect to an elector's registration to vote in a school election held pursuant to Title 20."

{ Internal References to 13-2-304: ok to all

13-2-301 13-2-301 13-2-514 13-19-207
13-19-207 13-19-303 13-21-104 13-21-201
13-21-203 13-21-210 }"

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